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The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Kennedy:

Enclosed are some photographs & a story  
from the San Francisco Chronicle of October 23,  
1963.

It seems incredible that we are supporting,  
and possibly encouraging, this type of action.  
It reminds me of the Gestapo and the  
KNVD. How can we claim to be fighting  
for "right" & "justice" with this going on?  
Would it make much difference to the  
people of Vietnam if the Viet Cong  
won? Would the Communists treat the  
average citizen much worse than the Diem  
government is?

Too often, we are supporting dictator-  
ships in the name of anti-communism.  
If Vietnam is important to our  
security & we feel that we can't simply  
withdraw, and if the Diem government  
is not capable of reform, then why  
not move in sufficient American troops  
to take over the entire country and  
do what we have to do to win -  
but without supporting a dictatorship, &  
without apologies - and without a secret  
police.

Sincerely yours,

Sidney Hayer

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Wednesday, Oct. 23, 1965

# Exclusive---A

# Secret Police Incident in the Vietnam War

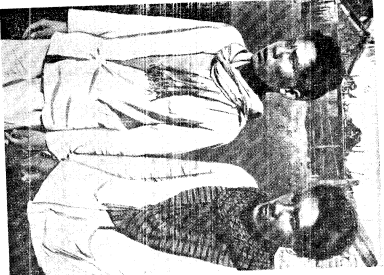
By Leo Lambert

Special Correspondent

Saigon. Two American men, captured by the police in a village near the border with Cambodia, were taken to a secret police station in Saigon. They were held for two nights and then released. The police had good reasons for their actions, but the men were not guilty of anything. They were simply caught in the wrong place at the wrong time.

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Two secret police, seized by South Vietnam secret police as suspected Viet Cong guerrillas, waited for interrogation.

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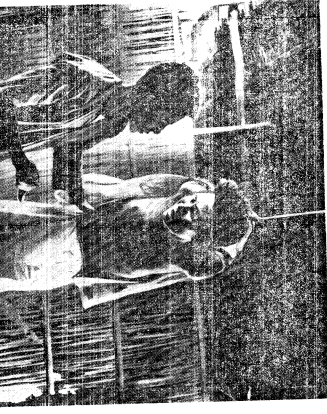
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The Author

Leo Lambert, the author of the book, is a former member of the Viet Cong. He was captured by the South Vietnamese and held in prison for several years. He has since written a book about his experiences.

The book is a memoir of the author's experiences as a member of the Viet Cong. It is a detailed account of the life of a guerrilla fighter in the Vietnam War.

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# Exclusive Photo Report



The man hanging by his arms is a Vietnamese peasant suspected of helping the Viet Cong guerrillas. The man approaching him, armed with brass knuckles, is a member of the Viet Cong.

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peasant is being "questioned." Leo Lonnbrink, a Swedish newspaperman, took the picture with a camera hidden in his shirt. His story of the episode, and other pictures, appear on pages 96 and 97.

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## Of 8 Mayoral Candidates

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The eight candidates for Mayor of San Francisco will be interviewed tonight at 9:30 on station KQED (Channel 9) by Chronicle reporter Mel Wax and Examiner reporter James Schurz.

The program will have no time limit. It will be produced by the nonprofit educational television station and the League of Women Voters.

## Minority Press Split On Mayor

Congressman John P. Shelley has been endorsed by the "Chinese World," while his major rival for Dr. Charles A. Ertola, mayor, Supervisor Harold Dobbs, has been backed by the "Mabuhay Republic," the Filipino community newspaper.

Endorsement of Dobbs also has been announced by the San Francisco unit of Pro America through acting president Mrs. Gatis Yates.

A public reception for Shelley and his wife will be held from 2 to 5 p. m. Sunday at the Hall of Flowers, Golden Gate Park. Family friends of the Shelleys are sponsoring the affair. Refreshments from various countries will be served by women in native costume.

Saturday, a parade arranged by the Chinese-American Democratic Club and the Shelley campaign committee, will honor Shelley in Chinatown.

Formation of a Slavic-American committee to back the Dobbs candidacy was announced by Milton K. Lepetich, member of the Library Commission and an insurance broker.

Approval of a Federal loan of \$480,000 for the Jones Memorial church apartments for senior citizens was announced by Shelley.

## 1000 Expected At \$100-a-Plate Dinner for Dobbs

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More than 1000 persons are expected at the Fairmont hotel dinner tonight

organizer, municipal judge Clarence A. Linn, got the endorsement, but the Board has "contribution."

"Not a dime" was the answer from the San Francisco Volunteers for Better Government. One of that group's four candidates, Supervisor John J. Ferdon, received the nod from the organization's membership meeting.

Supervisor Joseph M. Casey said his committee "is not inclined to pay." "We don't have the \$450 to spend that way."

Leo J. McCarthy, also a candidate for Supervisor, said: "No, I'm not going to donate anything. Our campaign money is already allocated."

### 'STEEP'

Al Baccari thought the \$450 was "pretty steep" and said "no." George Mosconi said he had not made up his mind. Both are running for Supervisor.

Dr. Charles A. Ertola, seeking reelection as supervisor, was in the minority. He said he expected to make the "contribution."

The Citizens Board was organized 16 years ago as a candidate's endorsing organization. Each member who

married to Morton W. (py) Smith of Middlebury, her family announced.

It was her fourth marriage for the heiress to one of (ornia's largest private holdings. He is in Or. County, south of Los Ang.

Smith, a Virginia horse and fox hunter, raises his on a farm near Middle and on another in Ireland, a spokesman said.

Associated I

had paid \$1 by September was eligible to vote. Of 4000 members, Spivack said some 600 voted.

## Not Guilty Ple. In Jewel Theft

Jo Ann Dunkel, 61, Little Old Lady who walked out of the swank deV station on Union Square month with \$30,000 in mounds, pleaded not guilty before Superior Judge 2 man Elkington yesterday charges of grand theft, burglary.

Her trial was set for November 3.

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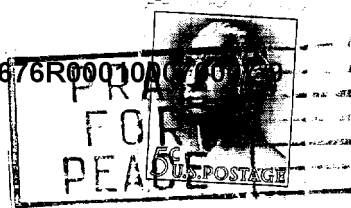
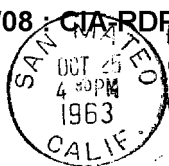


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